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SUBJECT:US - JAPANESE TALKS ON PREPARATIONS FOR UNCSTD

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- 1. STROMAYER DISCUSSED APPROACH BY DR. MUKAIBO WITH OKAMURA AND WADA AT OECD PARIS APRIL 14. BOTH WERE UNAWARE OF MUKAIBO'S INVITATION TO AMBASSADOR WILKOWSKI AND BETRAYED SURPRISE THAT SUCH INVITATION HAD APPARENTLY NOT BEEN COORDINATED WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY.
- 2. OKAMURA EXPLAINED THAT MUKAIBO WAS FORMER LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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JAPANESE SCIENCE ATTACHE IN WASHINGTON AND HAD RECENTLY SERVED AS NONGOVERNMENTAL ADVISOR TO COMMITTEE PREPARING JAPANESE NATIONAL PAPER FOR UNCSTD. OKAMURA SUGGESTED THAT ANY US JAPANESE CONSULTATIONS SHOULD INVOLVE GOJ OFFICIALS DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR DEVELOPING OFFICIAL GOJ POSITION ON UNCSTD, IMPLYING THAT MUKAIBO NOT LIKELY TO HAVE IMPORTANT FUTURE ROLE. OKAMURA ADDED GOJ WOULD PROBABLY

PREFER TOKYO TO WASHINGTON OR HAWAII AS SITE FOR CONSULTATIONS.

3. STROMAYER CONCLUDED CONVERSATION BY SAYING WE WOULD

WELCOME CONSULTATIONS WITH JAPANESE AT MUTUALLY AGREEABLE TIME AND PLACE, PREFERABLY WITH REPRESENTATION ALONG LINES SUGGESTED PARAGRAPHS 2-3, REF B.

4. COMMENT: OKAMURA AND WADA SAID THEY WOULD PURSUE MUKAIBO INVITATION AND POSSIBILITY OF US-JAPANESE CONSULTATIONS ON UNCSTD WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY ON RETURN TO TOKYO. DEPT WANTS TO BE RESPONSIVE TO JAPANESE INTEREST IN CONSULTATIONS, BUT WISHES TO AVOID GETTING IN MIDDLE OF INTERNALDISPUTEON GOJ PREPS FOR UNCSTD. CHRISTOPHER

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